

**SPECIFICATION AS PRELIMINARILY AMENDED**

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**Brief Description of the Figures**

Figure 1 graphically illustrates that the modified IL-3 is capable of inhibiting control-IL-3.

Figure 2 relates to the inhibiting activity of a partially modified IL-3.

Figure 3 relates the Electrospray Mass Spectrometry (EMS) of succinylated IL-3 at pH 5-7.

Figure 4 presents mass spectrometry for a localized modification with succinic anhydride (pH 5.0) and subsequent peak shift following Endo Lys-C digestion.

Figure 5 presents mass spectrometry relating to detection of modification of Lys<sup>28</sup> with acetic anhydride by both Endo Glu-C treatment and by Endo Lys-C treatment, respectively.